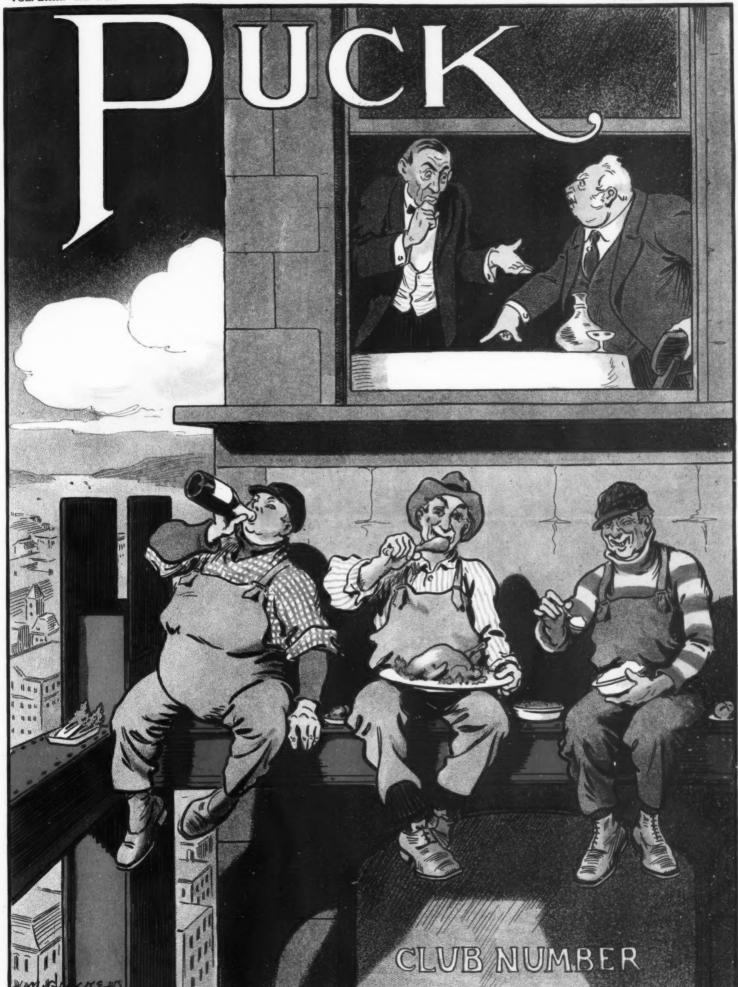
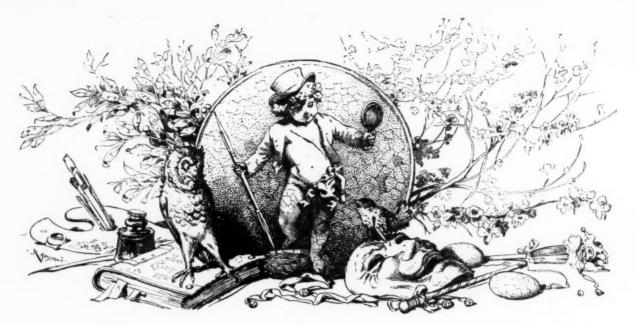
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Partoons and Pomments

LET US BE REASONABLE. Great days are coming for all "reasonable" men. Standard Oil exercised a restraint of trade which was unreasonable, operated a monopoly which was unreasonable, and hence was ordered by the Supreme Court of the United States to dissolve itself within six months and to cease to be a trust. Reasonable restraint of trade, reasonable monopoly,

are not objectionable, the inference is, in the eyes of the law, and what is reasonable and what is not will doubtless form the basis of many a legal dispute. Is the consumer squeezed by this or that monopoly? Yes, but not unreasonably; he still has some money left. Is the little competitor injured by rebates to his powerful rival? Certainly, but not unreasonably; he is still at liberty to enter some other business; nobody will stop him. O, it is going to be a great era for the "reasonable" man. President TAFT does n't quite like the idea of leaving it all to the courts. Last January, in a message to Congress, he expressed the opinion that to leave to the courts the right to say what is a reasonable restraint of trade, what is reasonable monopoly, "would be to thrust upon the courts a burden that they would have no precedents to enable them to carry, and to give them a power approaching the arbitrary;" but although he disapproves of the use of the word "reasonable" in this particular connection, President TAFT has used it himself, if we mistake not, in a way that was fully as encouraging to all "reasonable" interests. Speaking on the tariff, President

TAFT, to the best of our recollection, said publicly that the projective schedules should provide for the difference between cost of production here and abroad "plus a reasonable profit" for the American manufacturer. What is a reasonable profit? Possibly it would be as hard to determine as to tell what is reasonable restraint of trade, or reasonable monopoly. If those who get the reasonable

tariff profit should also be awarded by the courts the right to practice reasonable suppression of competition, what pleasant times would be in store for them and for the rest of us! But let not the reasonable doctrine stop here. What is the plea of "the unwritten law" but an argument for reasonable murder? And, possibly, the negro who killed two persons and wounded eight others in New York the other day—the

very day of his release from prison where he served but nine years for killing a fellow-being — was a beneficiary of what the law calls "reasonable doubt." Let us be reasonable.

WHILE the people, through their State legislatures, are considering the income-tax, they may as well prepare themselves for another constitutional amendment. The farmers who journeyed to Washington to oppose Canadian Reciprocity have shown the nation its plain duty. Lowering the tariff wall between the States and Canada will "ruin" them, some farmers say, and if Reciprocity should be rejected by the Senate on their account it will not be enough simply to maintain the tariff wall as it has existed up to date. We must have other tariff walls, for surely if Reciprocity with Canada would prove the ruination of the farmer, free trade, unrestricted free trade, by the farmers of one State with the farmers of another is even more ruinous; the agriculturist is being "ruined" every day without knowing it. There should be an amendment to the Constitution authorizing "protection" between States. If Reciprocity with Canada is bad, free inter-State commerce is a crime.



A HOT ARGUMENT FOR RECIPROCITY.

IN URGING CONGRESS TO ACTION, PRESIDENT TAFF HAS AN ABLE ALLY
IN THE WASHINGTON SUMMER.



GENTLEMEN'S DAY.

THE DREAM OF SUFFRAGETTE CLUBWOMEN.

SYMPHONIC STOCKINGS.

ver throw away your worn-out, holey stockings, for a new use has been found for them. As piano-player rolls they are unexcelled.

A pair of open-work stockings, of opera length, will give you a most remarkable rendition of a Richard Strauss opera overture, while a pair of boy's hose, which have had the advantage of a week's marbles and baseball, will render, when placed in the piano, the Magic Fire scene

from The Incompetent Cook with much accuracy and power. Men's half-hose, too, make dainty little morsels of music when care-

as a Morceau by Massenet, only perhaps morceau.

An ingenious contrapuntal effect may be obtained by the introduction of two stockings at the same time, placed in "pigeontoed" relation to each other, while a whole Débussy opera may be ground out, act by act, by the introduction into the piano of the Saturday night hosiery discard of an ordinarysized family.

This artistic and economical discovery does away with that dreadful nightmare Darning, and makes of a stocking that is worn full of holes a much more important and valuable thing than one that is darned up in lumps and knots for future wear.

In buying stockings with this ultimate art end in view, it is well to select the longest ones possible and those that possess the greatest appearance of being willing to fall quickly and surely into holes. What are known to the trade world as "seconds" will answer the purpose admirably, as they are the imperfectly woven output of the mills, and are already started upon their symphonic or syncopated career when you buy them over the counter. Harvey Peake.

THE GENTLE HOG.

When we start out to buy; And we're all for Free Air When we're minded to fly.

We are all for Free Smokes, Like a lot of old Jays; And we favor Free Lunch When the other man pays

We lie on Free Beds In the Hospital Ward; And we sponge on our Friends For a little Free Board.

We approve of Free Farms, When we're ready to fence; And we cabbage Free Seeds At the Public Expense.

We approve of Low Freight, When we're shipping the Stuff; And the Postage is high, And we're paying enough.

We will take a Free Pass With a wink and a grin: And we cuddle our Graft, And we think it no sin.

And when others are Clubbed. We're for Raking the Muck; And we're all for Free Trade In the Other Man's Truck!

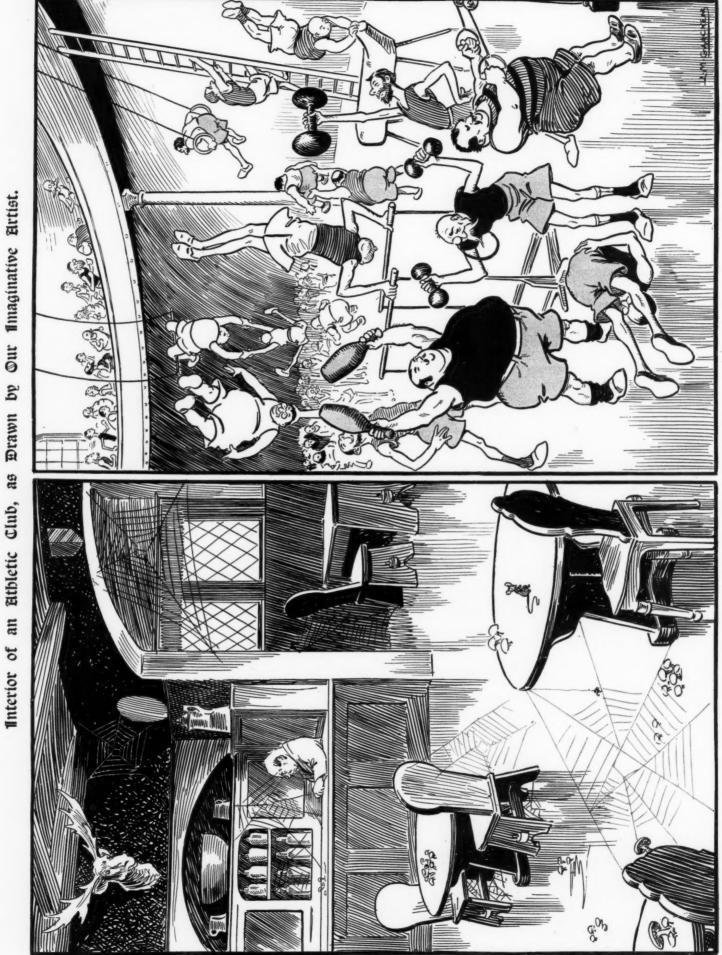
Charles Irvin Junkin.

IF DIRECTORIES TOLD ALL THE TRUTH.

A NDERSON, James A., tinner, wife-beater, 44 Some Street.
Amstutz, Henry, retired, skinflint, 2435 Ohell Ave.
Austin, Martha A., Widow Robert A., gossip, 3789 Gottim Street.

Batty, I. M., nutty on postage-stamps, bookkeeper, 193 Whereami Blvd. Branstrattor, Adam Q., old soak, 78 Gohome Street. Brames, Elvira, flirt, boards at 6767 Sixty-seventh Street. Brunhild, Bertha, bum singer, boards at 34765 Slippery Ave.





THE GYMNASIUM.

THE GRILL ROOM.

THE DANCE.

T NINE P.M. the music's brisk,

While the drums go rattle-tat-tat,

While the orchestra peals with a pace that reels,

And you've flopped dull care to the mat.

It's then that you drink of the wine of youth,

And thoughts, great thoughts occur,

Life is love and blue eyes, and the whole world a prize,

To be laid at the feet of HER.

At three A.M., when the music writhes,
While the drums drone boom-pause-boom,
When your arm goes lame, though you died dead game,
The ghosts of the morrow loom.
Then your thoughts slip quickly from heaven to earth,
Hope droops like the rose on her head;
You would give life and love, and salvation above,
To be laid at the foot of your BED!

F. D. Abrams.

STRIKING.

"INDEED! And there is no wailing and gnashing of teeth in the outer darkness any more?"

Lucifer, who was showing the party through, bowed assent.
"It is possible to produce a much more striking effect with automobile horns," he explained.



THE POOR MAN'S CLUB.

EXACTING.

The Camorra were met in secret conclave. Was there a delicate assassination or two which just then needed doing? The fact had only to be notified, and a member stood forward and offered himself for the hazardous service.

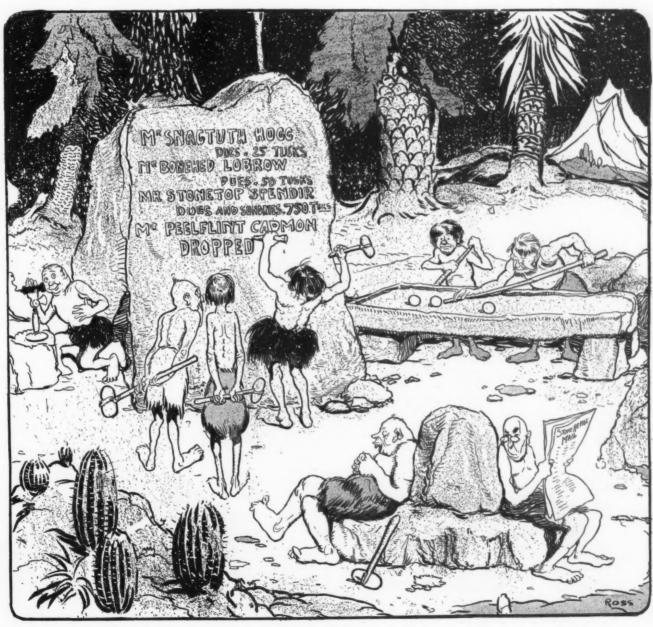
But murmurs arose.

"He has neither the dramatic presence nor the creative originality to take the leading part in a public trial in a manner conformable to the traditions of our Society!" objected several voices at once, and it was evident that lots would have to be cast afresh.

AS THE FASHIONS CHANGE.

The little boy who was smoking a cigaret was roundly hooted by the other little boys.

"Cissy! Girl-boy!" they cried out upon him, contemptuously.



POSTED!

IT WAS A SERIOUS MATTER WHEN THEY CUT YOUR NAME ON A STONE BULLETIN.

A STUDY IN ECONOMY.

CENE I. (Club café. Tauker and Lisson at a table.

Tauker expounds.) Yes, as I was saying, my

wife does n't know the meaning of the word She's always spending money for something she doesn't need. Have another cigar, old man. I put all the ready money I had into a car—a man needs a little recreation after business hours—and what does she do but up and buy a piano! She doesn't know one note from another, and naturally that means a course of lessons. Guess we'd better have just another little bottle of that wine, had n't we? I've just been moving into larger and better offices. I got tired of that dingy little hole I was in. Help business? Well, I don't know about that part of it. Business was all right in the old place. Still, I thought I'd like a change even if the rent is a whole lot higher. Well, the point is, no sooner do I move than she begins to worry the life out of me about moving out of our flat into a bigger, more expensive one further downtown. And she had no earthly reason except that she did n't like the neighborhood we were in. Then, as soon as we got moved, she began to buy all sorts of high-priced furniture. And she knew as well as I did that I had just put a small fortune into new office fixtures. She said our old stuff was n't good enough for the new location. That 's the way it goes. I do all the economizing. No, no, old chap, this one 's on me.

The whole thing is enough to discourage a man. A woman ought to be willing to do some of the saving, but no, just as soon as I think I'm beginning to get on my feet, she runs me 'way into debt again for some kind of nonsense. She spends an enormous amount on clothes. I like to a woman dress well, but there's a limit.

O yes, I like to dress well myself, but I'll bet I don't

spend half as much as she does on clothes. Well, say two-thirds or three-quarters. And the candy bills she runs up! You'd naturally suppose a full-grown woman could exist without candy every minute. My turn again, old man. And try another of these cigars. Yes, they sell for a quarter, but I get them by the box.

I 'll tell you what made me more disgusted than anything else, and that 's a brand-new proposition she sprang on me last night. She already has a cook and a housemaid,

and now what does she want but a butler! Think of it, on my income! Why, we'll simply go to smash if a halt is n't called pretty soon. I told her we could n't afford it, and she asked me why I did n't discharge the chauffeur. Said I'd learned now to run the car, and did n't need him any more. I suppose there is something in that, but who wants to be grimed up all the time from monkeying with a lot of greasy machinery? Sorry you're going. Let's have a little drink first. Good-by. If you hear of my going bankrupt, remember I prophesied it. So-long.

(A grocery-store. Tauker SCENE II. still expounding.) — Good Lord! Fifty cents for butter? When I saw it on the bill, I told my wife it must be a mistake. And forty-eight for eggs! No wonder a man can't get along these days. Somebody's in wait to rob him from the time he gets up till he goes to bed. You are n't to blame for the prices? Maybe not, but who is? They all say the same thing—someone else is at the bottom of it. All I can say is, it's about time something was done. People of moderate incomes are all going down and out unless somebody gets busy before long and straightens things out a little. It's a case of pinch and scrimp and save all the time.

Well, I won't be able to pay the whole bill this time. Some of it will have to go over till next month. The Lord knows how I'm going to make both ends meet if you keep on lifting prices. I no sooner see a chance of getting on to my feet than up goes everything another notch. It's getting so a man has to be a millionaire in order to keep the game going. (Exit, still talking.)

Walter G. Doty.

LIBERTY permits a man to eat what he likes. But where a man eats what he likes, it is often hard for him to sleep afterward. Hence the saying that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty.

The power of speech and the power of thought are equally divine attributes, the only difficulty with them being that the former is geared up so much beyond the latter.



THE CHORUS MAN.

WHEN THE SUFFRAGETTES COME INTO THEIR OWN.



"BOTH MEMBERS OF THIS CLUB."



B."

SOMEWHAT VAGUE.

THE SMITTEN MAN (fervently). - Love you. darling? Why, before I met you, I thought only of having a good time in life.

A QUIET LITTLE AFFAIR.

ES," said Mrs. A. Algernon'B. DeVere to Mrs. P. B. Augustus Lenox-Smythe at the afternoon tea, "our little Helene is to be married early in June. The invitations will go out in a day or two. It will be a very quiet little affair. Helene's tastes are so simple and Percy hates anything like dis-We shall not have more than six hundred at the church nor more than five hundred at the house, and everything will be as simple as possible. There will not be more than six bridemaids, and our daughter, Mayrie, will, of course, be the maid of honor. The two little daughters of a niece of mine will be the flowergirls, and we are to have the double ring ceremony, and we mean to have a vested choir supply the vocal music. Of course we shall have roses for the church decorations as the month will be June. I have just ordered a hundred dozen, and we will need about fifty dozen for the house besides several dozen potted plants. We don't want anvthing overdone or anything even suggestive of ostentation, and with the exception of the ceremony at the church it will be a quiet little home wedding-simple and without

any ostentation.

BALLAD OF HOSS-CARS.

It Happened in New York City, B.C.

No, A.D. 1911! was on a Thursday evening When Chambers Street was gay, A pair of street-car hosses Began to run away. They were so full of spirit That when a windy gust Blew up a bit of paper They bolted fit to bust. They fairly flew through Chambers, The car went bumpty-bump, And every other minute A passenger would jump. The driver and conductor Stuck to the flying car, Because they were such heroes As medal heroes are. Still on they flew through Chambers, Until at Madison They hit the switch, and quickly Divided up the run. At that point one hoss shunted And veered off to the right, And in half a minute Had disappeared from sight. The other took New Chambers And also took the car Headlong to Roosevelt Ferry With possibly no bar To stop him from disaster, Or raise a hand to save Conductor, driver, hoss, car From a watery grave. But, lo! a brave policeman Whose other name was Brown, Reached forth and in a moment Had pulled that car-hoss down. He saved the car, and likewise Conductor, driver, hoss, And thus relieved the city Of sad and serious loss.



A BAD CASE OF CLUB-FOOT.

COLLEGES.

COLLEGE once was a seat of learning. Later it became an institution for en abling young men and millionaires' sons to find out how much they knew and how little they could learn. Now it is a place for the professional organization of amateur sports after the best models of high finance, with the motto: Damn expenses; there's more where that came from.

Colleges are sometimes spoken of as the bulwarks of enlightenment, because they effectually repel the advance of new thought.

There are three classes of college: Men's colleges for boys; women's colleges for girls; and schools for young persons who want to learn. The last-named kind are not common, and are not highly thought of. Owing to the perversity of human nature and the influence of circumstances on the individual, the so-called "poor men's college" often proves a college of poor men. There are no rich men's colleges, as the term "college" implies a place where at least a pretense is made of studying.

Colleges have given rise to serious abuses, such as trousers-cuffs, bulldogs, a superstitious reverence for learning, Chancellor Day, the pensioning of old teachers who ought to have known better, and the perpetration of student playwriting under George Pierce Baker.

The colleges have graduated, or otherwise turned out, a great number of famous men whose names will remain immortal in American history. For details, ask the sporting editor or "Red" down at the corner grocery. They are also claimed to have produced a bunch of highbrow guys who done something in the teaching or scholarship line, but who's goin' to stop an' give a listen to that piffle?

Robert W. Neal.

THE PARTY LINE.

- HELLO! Is this Benders'?"
- "Is it Ludlows'?
- "No, it's-
- "Is it Harklys'?"
- "No. This is-
- "Is it Pendergasts'?"
- "No, it is n't. This is-
- "Is it Halloways'?"
- "No! Let me talk! This is Jameson's!" "Good! Just who I wanted to talk to!"



All hail to Brown, patrolman,

Before he renders service-

Who does not ask the Boss

But where 's that other hoss?

W. I. Lambton.

A WOMAN'S IDEA OF A MAN'S CLUB.



THE PUCK PRESS

PEACE. - "WAITING ON A CROWD IKE T



CH HOU AT THE DREADNOUGHT CLUB.

A CROWD IKE THIS IS NO JOB FOR A WOMAN."



A SUGGESTION TO INVENTIVE MOTOR CYCLISTS.



WEEK BEGINNING MAY TWENTY-NINTH.

Academy of Music, 14th and Irving Place. Stock Company in repertoire,

Belasco, Bway nr. 44th. "The Concert," with Leo Ditrich-stein. Evenings 8:15. Americanized version of a Ger-

Broadway, Bway and 41st. Lew Fields in "The Henpecks." Evenings 8:15. A musical panorama in nine pictures.

Casino, Bway and 39th St. All-Star revival of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pinafore," Comic opera. Evenings 8:15.

Cohan's, Bway and 43d St. "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford." with Hale Hamilton. Evenings 8:15. A new view of the

Columbia, Bway and 47th. Burlesque. Daily matinees 2:15. Evenings 8:15.

Folies Bergère, 46th St. W. of Bway. Vaudeville, Ballet, Cabaret Show. "More Parisian than Paris." Evenings 8:15.

Gaiety, Bway and 46th. "Excuse Me," Evenings 8:15. A Pullman carnival in three sections, by Rupert Hughes.

Grand Opera House, 8th Av. and 23d. Corse Payton's Stock Co. in repertoire. Evenings 8: 15.

Fierald Square, Bway and 35th. Marie Dressler in "Tillie's Nightmare." Evenings 8; 15.

Irving Place. Irving Place Theatre Stock Company. In repertoire. Evenings 8:15.

Keith & Proctor's, Fifth Ave., Bway and 28th St. All-Star Vaudeville. Daily Matiness Evenings 8:15.

Liberty, 42d St. W. of Bway. Christie Macdonald in "The Spring Maid." Evenings 8:15. A musical comedy.

Lyric, 42d St. W. of Bway. "Everywoman." A modern Morality play. Evenings 8:15.

Nazimova's, 30th St. nr. Bway. John Mason in "As a Man Thinks." Evenings 8:15. A new play in four acts by Augustus Thomas.

New Amsterdam, 42d St. W. of Bway. "The Pink Lady." Evenings 8:15. A musical comedy de luxe founded on "La Satyre."

New Brighton Theatre, Brighton Beach, ville, Evenings 8:15. Daily matinees.

Victoria, 42d St. and Bway. Hammerstein's All-Star Vaudeville. Daily matiness. Evenings 8:15.

West End, 125th W. of 8th Av. Robert T. Haines Stock Co. in "The Great Divide." Evenings 8:15.

Winter Garden, 7th Av. and 51st St. "The Musical Revue of 1911." Evenings at 8.



PROMINENT CLUBMEN.

SIGN.

WE know that it is summer, With everything in tune, When in the sky at evening We see the hammock moon.

ELUSIVE.

"HE is what you might call an adroit man?"
"Decidedly—his sins never find him out and his debts never had him in."

SWEET CHARITY?

MR. VERY RICH-FOR A SMALL TOWN SOL in his office computing interest and plotting how to squeeze widows (not in an amorous sense; merely the poor widows with mortgages you read about).

"A caller," the young lady stenographer

announced.

The Reverend Timothy O-beseech-me entered the door and rested his saintly eyes on Mr. Very-rich-for-a-small-town.

"O, won't you please, won't you please," he wheezed, "give us ten thousand dollars for the poor little babies in Central Africa. O, please, Mr. Very-rich-for-a-small-town!

One moment and I will speak with you," replied the capitalist. "I must now

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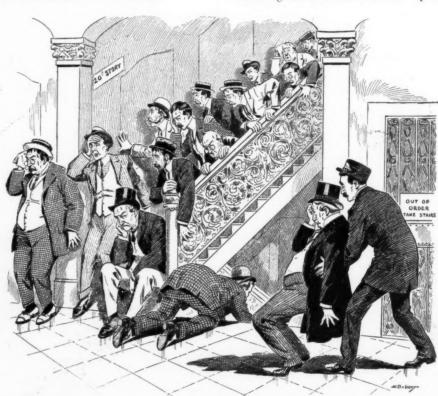
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answer the telephone."
"Hello, yes!" Br-r-r-r. Br-r-r-r.
"Hello! O, is this the New York office? You are Pennyhandle the broker? Yes, I remember I told you to invest some of my funds in S. K. V. on margin. What! You invested all my money! I did not tell you to! What's that? S. K. V. dropped twenty-five points!"

Mr. Very-rich-for-a-small-town began to tear his hair and dance around the 'phone.

"Hello! Hello, Pennyhandle! Did you say you invested everything I had? Then I am

ruined! Ruined! Worth less than nothing!"
The Reverend O-beseech-me at this point fled through the door with a horrified expression



FROM THE 48TH STORY TO THE STREET.

THE ELEVATOR BROKE DOWN JUST AS THE LUNCH CLUB HAD TO GET BACK TO WORK.

THE HORROR.

We had an *Uncle Tom's Cabin* company at the Op'ry House night before last." "Ah!" returned the facetious drummer. "Did the venerable drama seem to depict the horrors of slavery as vividly as it used to?" "Well, it depicted the horrors of Uncle Tom's Cabin as vividly as ever."

on his visage. Mr. Very-rich-for-a-small-town sat down and smiled.

"I am so sorry that you lost all your money," sympathized the sweet stenographer.

"O, never mind, birdie. That's a dummy telephone. It does n't go any further than the wall. I only use it occasionally for charitable purposes." C. H. Fitch.



FROM A FUIURE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

House being in Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union, and having under consideration the bill (HR 987654321) to grant a pension of \$40 a week to every native-born or naturalized citizen who would have fought in the War of the Revolution if he had been there MR. PORKNELL said:

MR. CHAIRMAN: In offering this measure I believe that I have put into tangible form the sentiment of every loyal, patriotic, red-blooded American (Applause.)

MR. GRAMPUS. - Will the gentleman yield for a question?

MR. PORKNELL.—Certainly.

MR. GRAMPUS.—I should like to ask whether the gentleman in offering this measure intended the pension to be \$40 a week instead of \$40 a month?

(Faint applause.)

MR. PORKNELL.—I answer the gentleman with pleasure. The bill is as it should be, \$40 a week. (Great applause.) May I ask the gentleman in return whether he would limit to a paltry \$480 a year the return which this great nation should make to those heroes who would have given their lives freely for it in the very hour of its birth? Does he believe we should deprive them of that which every nation owes its gallant defenders because a mere accident of fate has decreed that they were not to be at Bunker Hill, at Valley Forge, at Yorktown? (Renewed applause.) I ask, rather, should we not recompense them the more liberally for the magnificent spirit with which they would have rushed to meet the oppressor because their willingness so to do is voiced without the artificial stimulus of the need itself? Nay, since the gentleman questions the amount, I say here that \$40 a day would be none too much were it not that we would seem to offer no cold and artificial incentive to that priceless heritage of patriotism which is our boast as a nation. (Prolonged applause.) Churlish the nation that would limit its tribute to its heroes by the fortunes of time and chance rather than by the great underlying spirit of it. Ingratitude, thy name is reason! Let us have none of it here when considering the nation's obligations to its own people! (Renewed applause.)

The question was taken, and the Committee unanimously recommended the

measure to the House amid singing and cheering from both sides.

Instruct warneth the beast that enough is as good as too much, and so he stoppeth short of his destruction; but man, informed only by reason, passeth on, and is punished.



THE INDISPENSABLE BOY.

CALLER.-How is your new office-boy getting along these days? LAWYER .- O, fine! He's got things so mixed up now that I could n't get along without him!

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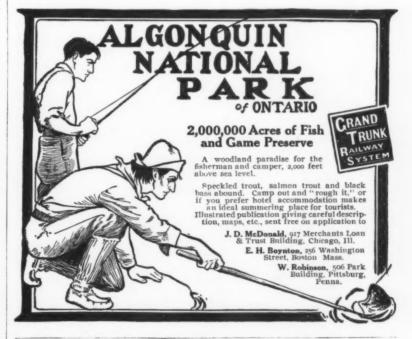
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"You don't mean it?"

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PRISCILLA had just told John Alden to speak for himself. "I shall do it for you after we are married," she added.

Herewith he hastened to seize the last chance. - The Sun.

"I was pickin' huckleberries in the mountains below Boise one summer. One mornin' I was on a steep hillside an' just 'bout had my pail full an' was thinkin' 'bout makin' f'r camp, when I looked up an' saw two grizzlies comin' tearin' down th' mountain. They was after me, that was plain, so I dropped my pail an' lit out. Droppin' that pail was what saved my life, f'r th' bears, bein' fond of berries, stopped to eat 'em, an' that give me a few yards th' start. Soon as they had finished the berries they started after me ag'in.

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"I was some runner in them days, an' th' way I covered groun' was a caution. The bears kept gainin' on me, though, till I come to a big river an' run out on th' ice. Th' ice was thin an' hel' me up all right, but th' bears broke through an' both of 'em' drownded. That's how I escaped."

There was silence, then one asked: "Thought you said you were picking huckleberries. How is it possible for there to be ice in huckleberry time?"

"Huh! Who said anythin' 'bout there bein' ice in huckleberry time?

Them durn bears run me 'till 'way after Christmas!"-Outing.





PROBABLY it was the first time that she had ever dined in a fashionable downtown restaurant. She appeared at least to be rather unsophisticated and acted somewhat restlessly and in an embarrassed manner, especially when she handled the menu card.

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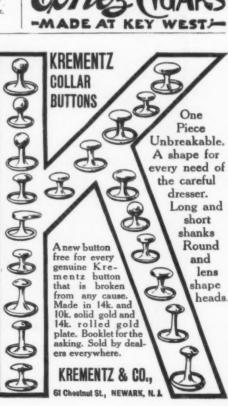
Girls of bygone days wore hats; Think of it—the stupid flats! Inink of it—the stupid hats:
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Jul. — Yes, and
Jack won.

Jack won.
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er-trying to make a noise "I was-

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